

**Apparatus for analyzing an audio signal with regard to
rhythm information of the audio signal by using an
autocorrelation function**

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Abstract

An apparatus for analyzing an audio signal with regard to rhythm information of the audio signal by using an 10 autocorrelation function comprises a filter bank for separating the audio signal into at least two sub-band signals. The sub-band signals are examined with regard to periodicities by an autocorrelation function, to obtain rhythm raw-information for the at least two sub-band 15 signals. To reduce or eliminate the ambiguities of the autocorrelation function for periodical signals, the rhythm raw-information is postprocessed to obtain postprocessed rhythm raw-information for the sub-band signal. The rhythm information of the audio signal is established based on the 20 postprocessed rhythm raw-information. By the sub-band-wise ACF postprocessing, ACF ambiguities are already eliminated where they originate, and rhythm portions are added at double tempi, which an autocorrelation function processing does normally not provide, so that, as a result, a more 25 robust determination of the rhythm information of the audio signal arises.